

## - For Immediate Release -

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## Investigation by Detectives from the Counter Narcotics Alliance leads to the Seizure of Over 600 Pounds of Marijuana and \$4,500 in Cash

On August 18, 2008, Detectives from the Counter Narcotics Alliance, a multi-agency drug task force operating in Pima County, with the assistance of a Department of Public Safety Canine Officer and uniformed Tucson Police Officers, conducted a traffic stop on two vehicles, traveling together, in the Tucson area. One of the vehicles contained approximately 320 pounds of marijuana, which the detectives seized. Alexis G. Cueto, age 29, and Terril A. Lundeen, age 54, both from Tucson, Arizona were arrested. Information obtained during the traffic stop led to a search warrant being executed at a Tucson residence in the 6700 block of South Creekwood Court. Members from the Tucson Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics Unit Team (SWAT) executed the search warrant. Inside the residence 340 pounds of marijuana was found and seized along with \$4,500 in cash and other drug related paraphernalia. Selso J. Villalua, age 31, a resident of Mexico, who was inside the residence, was also arrested.

All three subjects were transported and booked into the Pima County Jail. They were all charged with violation on ARS 13-3405, Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Marijuana for Transportation and Sale.

The Arizona Department of Public Safety is proud to be a part of the Counter Narcotics Alliance in the joint effort to dismantle and disrupt the criminal organizations that grow, manufacture, transport, and sell illegal drugs. The primary goal of the multi-agency law enforcement efforts is to make the communities in Arizona and across the United States safer places to live.

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